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David Wright, Kevin Keller, Deborah Flint, and Gene Seroka speak at CCA GMM

David Wright, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power; Kevin James, Los Angeles Board of Public Works; Deborah Flint, Los Angeles World Airports; and Gene Seroka, Port of Los Angeles, address CCA members.

Proprietary Department Heads Update CCA Members

Yesterday, CCA members heard from the leaders of the Department of Water and Power (DWP), Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), and the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) about their department's recent successes and challenges. Deborah Flint, LAWA; Gene Seroka, POLA; and David Wright, DWP, gave great insight into these department's impact on the local and national economies.

Among the challenges the panel identified, DWP must deal with the failure of Measure RRR (DWP reform) while it also must continue to update its water and electricity infrastructure. POLA is addressing the realignment and consolidation of the global shipping industry while maintaining that one in 12 jobs in the local economy is port-related. LAWA is embarking on a \$14-billion dollar landside modernization program over the next decade at LAX while the airport may see approximately 80 million passengers this year.

Seroka said that thanks to good planning, the opening of the Panama Canal expansion has had minimal impact on the port. Flint told the audience that LAX is seeing more airlines wanting to come to the airport, which is driving competition and keeping fares low with more frequent flights. And Wright said that DWP is working to increase local water supplies and reduce imports even as the drought becomes "the new normal" in Southern California.



EVENTS CALENDAR

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6
5:30 - 8 p.m.

CCA HOLIDAY PARTY
The Majestic Downtown



COMMITTEE CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16
8:00 - 9:30 a.m.

HOUSING, LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT

Topics: L.A. Controller Ron Galperin & City Property Map; Deputy Mayor Ray Chan; The Future of Above-Grade Parking

Special Guests: The Honorable Ron Galperin, City Controller; Ray Chan, Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti; Bryan Eck, City Planning



CCA IN ACTION



This week CCA spoke at the City

DWP, LAWA and POLA are critical to the economy and CCA is pleased that they have such strong leadership. As we look to the future of our City we know they each of them will continue to play an important role.

CCA thanks **Deborah Flint**, LAWA; **Gene Seroka**, POLA; and **David Wright**, DWP, for their presentations and remarks, and **Kevin James**, Los Angeles Board of Public Works, for moderating.

Planning Commission (CPC) in support of a new development by Caruso Affiliated located at 333 La Cienega. This mixed use residential building will feature 145 apartments as well as ground floor retail. CPC approved the project and it is expected to be completed in late 2019.

For more information please contact CCA's Managing Director of Legislative Affairs and Government Relations, [Marie Rumsey](#).

Transportation, Infrastructure & Energy Committee

This morning at the Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy Committee meeting, members heard about the City's water self-reliance program and the City water and energy efficiency requirements. We also received an update from Metro about the 2nd / Hope station construction.

The City imports about 80 percent of its water. As part of the City's Sustainability plan, the program aims to reduce water imports by half while increasing local sources such as ground water, recycled water and captured stormwater. Desalinated water is not currently in the plan as officials believe it is not necessary.

The City also recently completed a draft ordinance that will require most commercial and multifamily buildings to increase their water and energy efficiency. If approved, the ordinance will apply to all non-governmental buildings that are greater than 20,000 square feet. However, structures used in TV and film production and single family homes are exempted. Buildings will need to have water and energy audits and must then undertake one of several options to increase efficiency. For more information about the program, please go to laexistingbuildings.org.

Metro provided an update on the new Regional Connector station on Bunker Hill. New station designs and schematics of the bridge across Hope Street that CCA led the fight to have included were presented. And Metro gave an update on the naming process for the station.

CCA thanks **Liz Crosson** and **Hilary Firestone**, Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti; and **Jeanmarie Hance** and **Matthew Marquez**, Metro, for their presentations and remarks.

For more information, please contact CCA Director of Government Relations, [John Howland](#).

CCA MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

"When you talk to developers, they'll say 'We don't mind doing affordable housing, or using this kind of labor, as long as we know about it before planning.' Simon Ha, Steinberg Architects. [Downtown News](#), November 3, 2016. ["The Secret Behind the Huge Spike in New Real Estate Projects."](#)

"I think it's only a matter of time before so many of these additional burdens placed on the development community means some just can't afford to build in L.A. The intricacies of just the entitlements is costly alone." Joel Miller, Psomas. [Downtown News](#), November 3, 2016. ["The Secret Behind the Huge Spike in New Real Estate Projects."](#)

November 8 Election Results

We did it! Voters approved Measure M and Measure HHH. CCA thanks all of our members who voted to support a vibrant future for Los Angeles. For decades CCA has been the leading advocate for a livable Los Angeles. We have confronted the issues of housing, homelessness and mobility and we are proud that we helped to move this City forward.

CCA strongly supported Measure M, Metro's plan to ease traffic. It increases the sales tax by one-half cent to pay for various transportation projects. This would raise the county sales tax to 9.5% in perpetuity. The measure is expected to raise more than \$120 billion through 2057, with annual revenues beginning at \$860 million for street repairs, highway improvements and new rail construction.

CCA recognizes the convergence of the housing and homelessness crises and supported Measure HHH.

It is a general obligation bond up to \$1.2B that will support permanent supportive housing, affordable housing and facilities for homeless individuals like temporary shelters and storage facilities. The bond will be secured by an increase in property taxes and it will be issued over a ten-year period and repaid from 2019-2046. The average tax rate will be \$9.84 per \$100,000 in property valuation. Voters overwhelmingly supported this.

Unfortunately, voters also approved Measure JJJ, also known as Build Better L.A. It will increase housing costs by imposing prevailing wage and affordable housing requirements on every residential project with ten or more units that requires a discretionary land use entitlement from the City. A full analysis of Measure JJJ is [available here](#).

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